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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: SITUATION IN SOUTHERN LEBANON

REF: STATE 20960

1. SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD BE IMPRESSED BY OUR EFFORTS  
IN THE MATTER OF SYRIAN ARAB SECURITY FORCES IN THE NABATIYAH  
AREA IF THEY COULD BE GIVEN SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT WE ARE  
ALSO URGING ISRAELIS TO MOVE BACK FROM THE BORDER. IS THAT THE CASE?

2. CERTAIN OTHER ASPECTS OF THE MATTER ARE UNCLEAR TO US AND WE WOULD  
APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S CLARIFICATION. FOR EXAMPLE, DOES THE  
LEBANESE GOVERNMENT CONCUR IN THE PRESENCE OF SYRIAN TROOPS  
AT NABATIYAH? WOULD IT EASE MATTERS IF OTHER ARAB TROOPS WERE  
TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR SYRIANS? ARE THE ISRAELIS STILL "WORKING  
WITH" ELEMENTS OF CHRISTIAN POPULATION NEAR BORDER? HAVE ALL  
PALESTINIAN TROOPS BEEN REMOVED FROM THE AREA?

3. AN UPDATE OF INFORMATION ON THESE MATTERS WOULD BE USEFUL  
IN CONVERSTATION ON SUBJECT WHICH I MAY HAVE WITH PRINCE SAUD  
IN VERY NEAR FUTURE.  
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